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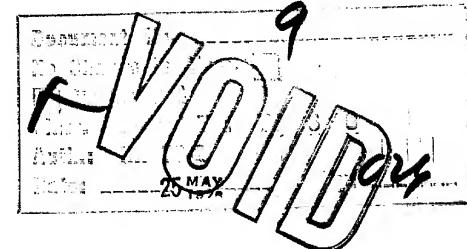
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1. Large-scale deportations were carried out in and near VILNA in July 1948. Soviet Army units and MVD police raided villages and houses, arresting persons to be deported and pushing them to the railroad station. All Lithuanians living in the country who had held any position in independent Lithuania, who were politically unreliable, or who did not want to join the kolkhozes were deported.
2. Soon after the deportations the evacuated farms were turned over to Soviet settlers. Seventy to eighty thousand Lithuanians, among them the bishop of VILNA, were allegedly deported in the summer of 1948, mostly to labor camps beyond the Ural Mts.

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